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# RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

Sir:

Applicants herein respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed on January 18, 2007 in the above-identified patent application, copy transmitted herewith.

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on February 21, 2007 in an envelope addressed to:

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Kenneth F. Florek, Reg. No. 33,173

Applicants respectfully aver that an appropriate Declaration was included with the original submission of the application in this case. In support, applicant submits herewith copies of the Transmittal Letter, the postcard stamped received by the PCT/PTO on December 19, 2005 and the originally filed Declaration.

More specifically, the Transmittal Letter, attached hereto under Exhibit A, includes a mark in the box indicating that the Declaration was included with the application and corresponding papers in the first submission.

The postcard, attached hereto under Exhibit B, lists the Declaration as included with the rest of the documents and bears the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") mail room stamp of December 19, 2005. In this regard, the postcard further has a check mark, apparently made at the USPTO mail room, next to the listing of the Declaration thereon.

Additionally, the original Declaration, attached hereto under Exhibit C, was executed on December 6, 2005, less than two (2) weeks before the filing date indicated on the Transmittal Letter and Postcard of Exhibits A and B, respectively. Moreover, the original Declaration identifies the International application by its International application number and International filing date.

Based on the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit that all of the requirements for accepting the present United States national stage application under 35 U.S.C. § 371 were met on December 19, 2005, when the Declaration was filed with the application and associated documents. Favorable consideration and entry of the original Declaration is respectfully requested.

Notwithstanding, in an effort to speed prosecution should there have been a flaw in the original Declaration, applicants also submit herewith a new Declaration, executed on February 13, 2007, attached hereto under Exhibit D. The new Declaration of Exhibit D also identifies the International application by its International application number and International filing date. If for any reason the original Declaration is not accepted, applicants respectfully request that the new Declaration be entered in the present application.

Although no fee is believed to be necessary upon acceptance of the original Declaration, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge, as well as any fee associated with this paper or the completion of the filing requirements in this application, to Deposit Account No. 08-1540. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Favorable consideration, including entry of the Declaration and grant of a United States filing date, is respectfully requested and earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/19/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/19/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/20/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 12/19/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/19/2005
- Assignment filed on 12/19/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 12/19/2005
- Power of Attorney filed on 10/02/2006

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The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

 Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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